Program knowledge

This program emphasizes computer programming and infrastructure platforms.
Graduates are prepared for a profession where they will use the following skills:

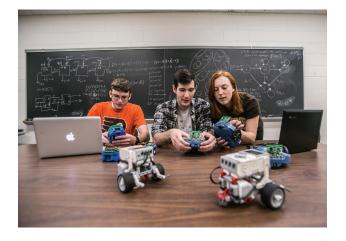
- Produce robust and correct application code;
- Create and deploy solutions across multiple operating systems;
- Plan and distribute tasks fairly in a group setting;
- Apply diverse techniques to manage projects;
- Proficiency in communication, both within a team and to external stakeholders;
- Demonstrate effective oral and written communication skills;
- Implement sophisticated techniques in a particular domain;
- Literate in emerging areas of computing and informatics;
- Demonstrate an in-depth understanding of legal, security and social issues in technology;
- Effectively decompose a problem and deliver a complete solution in accordance with software engineering principles.

Rowan University

Rowan University, a leading public institution located in the heart of Southern New Jersey, is ranked among the best public universities in the North by *U.S. News & World Report*.

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Bachelor of Arts

Computing & Informatics



About the program

The Bachelor of Arts in Computing and Informatics is designed for students who are interested in pursuing careers in information technology which requires a solid understanding of the principles of computing – but not the underpinnings of computer science theory and mathematics. Such careers include, but are not limited to:

- Programmers
- Infrastructure Administrators
- Support Technicians (e.g., Help Desk support)
- Technical Application Trainers
- Software QA/Testing Engineers
- Computer Service Coordinators
- Deployment Technicians (e.g., end-user support for system releases)
- Technical Documentation Specialists

The Computer Science Department is committed to creating a student-centered learning environment that promotes close student-faculty relationships and enhances intellectual development.



Curriculum

The curriculum for the major is divided into three major areas: Foundation courses, Basic Core Areas, and Computing and Informatics Electives.

The **Foundation Courses** represent a sequence that is primarily focused on programming skills across a variety of infrastructure platforms. Introductory courses expose students to programming concepts in two different languages (e.g., Java, C++, or Python). Students are also required to master more complex programming via the completion of two Advanced Programming Workshops.

The **Basic Core Areas** cover data structures, database systems, computer networks, and web development. The final core course is a capstone experience, which combines all previous core competencies into a semester-long project that introduces the principles of software engineering and project management. This capstone gives B.A. candidates vital hands-on experience to the entire systems development lifecycle, which prepares graduates for technology projects with future employers.

Finally, students must take four Computing and Informatics Electives from a list of technical courses offered by the Computer Science, MIS, and other departments which provide coverage of advanced topic.

Currently, two specializations are available: Mobile Devices and DevOps. The latter specialization is designed to prepare students to develop integration software which bridges applications and infrastructure.



Bachelor of Arts vs. Bachelor of Science

In comparison to the Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, the Bachelor of Arts in Computing & Informatics requires less computer science, general science, and mathematics coursework.

The B.A. program places a greater emphasis on computer programming and infrastructure platforms. To prepare B.A. graduates for careers in the technology field, the program will provide a background in:

- Applications development (particularly mobile and web applications);
- Project management;
- Database implementations;
- General principles of computer networks and infrastructure;
- Information security.